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**Japanese Patent No. 6-311208 and the non-patent literature document by Jon Lueker et al. are both discussed in the specification.**

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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials	Document Number	Kind Code (if known)	Country	Date of Publication (MM-DD-YYYY)	Translation Yes No
	*6-311208		Japan	11-04-1994	Abst
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**NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

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	*Jon LUEKER et al., "USB 2.0 Transceiver Macrocell Interface (UTMI) Specification Version 1.05," March 29, 2001, pp. 1-67, Intel Corporation.
	Hiroshi SHIROTA et al., "Data/Clock Recovery Circuit for Recovering Data and Clock Signal with High Accuracy," Application Serial No. 10/193,064, filed July 12, 2002, Attorney's Docket No. 027260-574.
	Katsuya MIZUMOTO et al., "Data Transfer Device for Transferring Data Between Blocks of Different Clock Domains," Application Serial No. 10/352,164, filed January 28, 2003, Attorney's Docket No. 027260-644.

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